A WORLD-WIDE PETITON TO CEASE AND DESIST URANIUM MINING AT THE GRAND CANYON FOREVER, TO PROTECT THE WATER, ANIMALS AND PEOPLE FROM CANCER-CAUSING RADIOACTIVE WATER AND SOIL CONTAMINATION

We, the undersigned, demand that the US National Forest Service--especially Mike Williams, the Kaibab National Forest Supervisor, and his superiors - immediately halt all uranium mining operations within the Withdrawal Area near the Grand Canyon National Park. In approving the re-opening of Canyon Mine using a 27-year-old Environmental Impact Statement, Mr. Williams violated federal laws enshrined in the National Environmental Protection Act (NEPA) and the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA). He disregarded the fact that the mine is on Havasupai Traditional Cultural Property, and is a damaging and illegal violation of religious freedom. The Canyon Mine has already punctured the perched aquifer, and new scientific evidence indicates that the shaft will inevitably contaminate the deeper aquifer with radioactive, cancer-causing uranium and its decay products. The Orphan Uranium Mine has already contaminated Horn Creek within the Park, making it undrinkable **FOREVER**. The Arizona One and Pine Nut mines on the North Rim will contaminate Roaring Springs, the main source of drinking water for all Park residents and tourists, making the water here undrinkable **FOREVER**, as uranium mining has already done on the nearby Navajo Reservation. The insanity of uranium mining must end now! The Grand Canyon is a World Heritage Site that must be preserved for future generations of humanity from around the world. **SHUT DOWN CANYON URANIUM MINE!**

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